

Solar activity was very low. Region 1710 (S21, L=201, class/area Cao/070 on 29 Mar) produced the largest event of the period with a B8 flare at 30/1024 UTC. Other activity included a B4 x-ray event observed at 30/1322 UTC from Region 1708 (N11, L=190, class/area Dao/090 on 29 Mar) with an associated Type II radio sweep (estimated shock speed of 814 km/s). No Earth-directed CMEs were observed during the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at high levels for the majority of the period with the exception of 27 and 29 March due to effects from coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) activity.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels on 25-26 March. Quiet to active conditions were observed on 27-28 March due to effects from a favorably positioned CH HSS. Solar wind speed gradually increased from initial values of approximately 400 km/s to end-of-day values of approximately 500 km/s. The interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) Bt values ranged from 1 nT to 11 nT while the Bz component of the IMF ranged from +7 nT to -11 nT. A further increase to unsettled to minor storm conditions was observed on 29-30 March due to effects from a second CH HSS. During that period, solar wind speed remained fairly steady averaging about 550 km/s. The IMF Bt values ranged from a high of 8 nT to a low of 1 nT while the Bz component of the IMF ranged from +5 nT to -7 nT. The field returned to quiet levels midday on 30 March and remained quiet through the end of the period.

Space Weather Outlook **01 April - 27 April 2013**

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low throughout the period. There is a slight chance for M-class activity from 01 - 13 April while Region 1711 (S17, L=159, class/area Cki/420 on 31 Mar) is on the disk.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels through 04 April and again from 25 April through the end of the period due to CH HSS effects. The remainder of the period is expected to be at normal to moderate levels.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin the period at quiet levels. Quiet to unsettled conditions are expected from 03-07 April due to weak CH HSS effects. A return to mostly quiet conditions is expected on 08-22 April. Quiet to unsettled conditions with a chance for active periods are possible on 23-26 April due to recurrent CH HSS effects. The remainder of the period is expected to be at quiet levels.



Daily Solar Data

Date	Radio Flux 10.7cm	Sun spot No.	Sunspot Area (10 ⁻⁶ hemi.)	X-ray Background Flux	Flares							
					X-ray			Optical				
					C	M	X	S	1	2	3	4
25 March	93	56	170	B1.0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
26 March	92	41	140	B1.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27 March	93	35	100	B1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28 March	99	49	170	B1.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29 March	105	73	280	B2.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30 March	108	70	480	B2.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31 March	113	83	630	B2.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Daily Particle Data

Date	Proton Fluence (protons/cm ² -day -sr)			Electron Fluence (electrons/cm ² -day -sr)		
	>1 MeV	>10 MeV	>100 MeV	>0.6 MeV	>2MeV	>4 MeV
25 March	8.3e+05	1.1e+04	2.8e+03		7.3e+07	
26 March	7.8e+05	1.1e+04	2.7e+03		8.1e+07	
27 March	1.6e+06	1.1e+04	2.8e+03		1.0e+07	
28 March	4.2e+05	1.1e+04	3.0e+03		3.9e+07	
29 March	4.2e+05	1.2e+04	2.7e+03		9.7e+06	
30 March	5.0e+05	1.1e+04	2.6e+03		7.0e+07	
31 March	5.0e+05	1.1e+04	2.7e+03		1.7e+08	

Daily Geomagnetic Data

Date	Middle Latitude Fredericksburg		High Latitude College		Estimated Planetary	
	A	K-indices	A	K-indices	A	K-indices
25 March	3	0-0-1-1-2-1-2-1	2	0-0-0-1-1-0-1-1	4	0-0-1-1-1-1-2-1
26 March	2	1-0-0-1-1-2-1-0	0	1-0-0-0-0-0-0-0	3	1-1-0-1-0-1-1-0
27 March	9	1-2-2-2-3-2-2-3	29	2-2-3-5-6-5-3-3	14	1-2-2-3-3-4-3-4
28 March	10	4-1-1-2-2-3-2-2	15	3-2-4-5-1-2-2-1	9	4-1-1-2-1-2-2-2
29 March	19	3-3-4-4-3-4-2-3	51	2-4-7-6-5-6-3-2	23	3-3-4-4-3-5-3-3
30 March	12	4-4-2-2-2-2-2-2	21	4-6-2-4-2-2-2-1	17	5-5-2-2-1-2-3-2
31 March	3	1-0-0-1-1-2-1-1	4	2-1-1-1-0-2-1-1	4	1-0-1-1-1-2-1-1

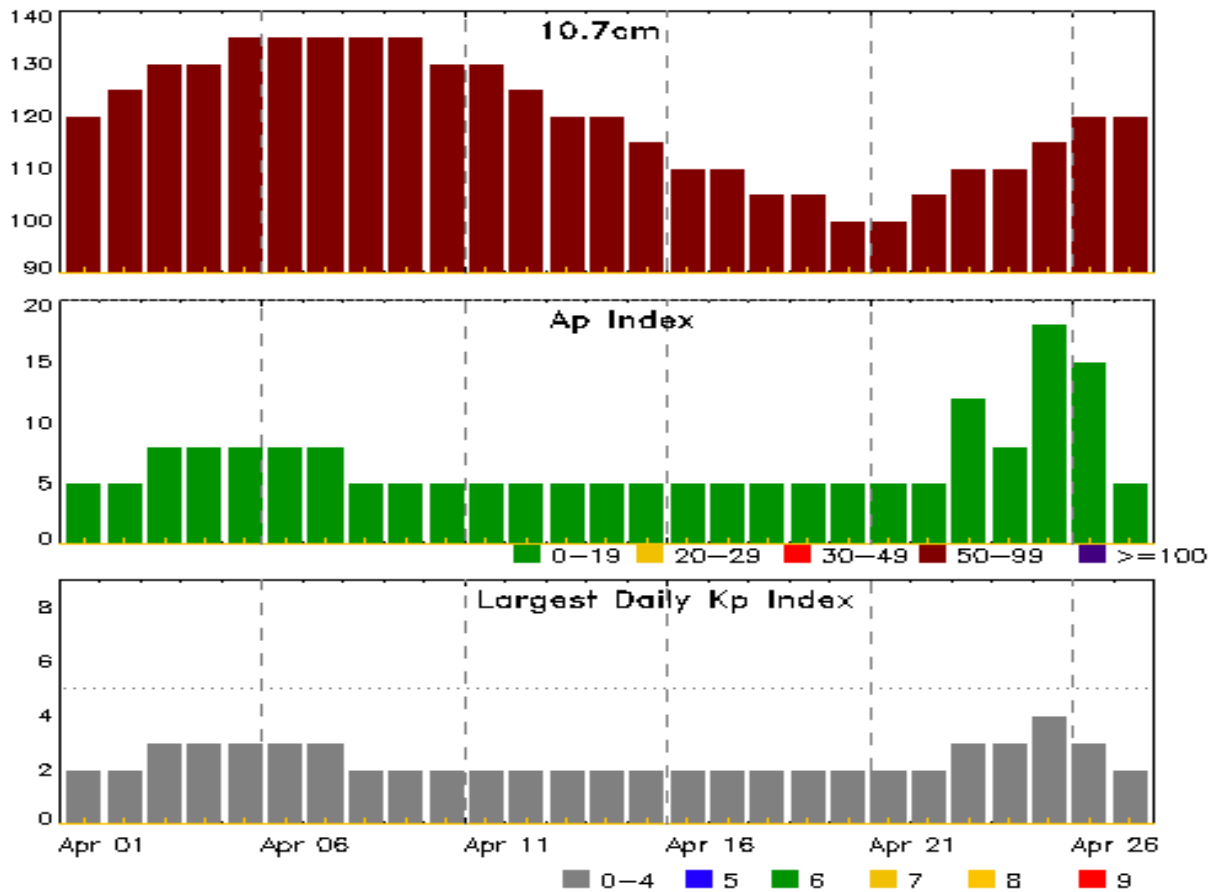


Alerts and Warnings Issued

Date & Time of Issue UTC	Type of Alert or Warning	Date & Time of Event UTC
25 Mar 1246	ALERT: Electron 2MeV Integral Flux \geq 1000pfu	25/1215
25 Mar 1517	WATCH: Geomagnetic Storm Category G1 predicted	
26 Mar 1219	CONTINUED ALERT: Electron 2MeV Integral Flux \geq 1000pfu	25/1215
27 Mar 1639	WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4	27/1700 - 28/0000
27 Mar 1755	ALERT: Geomagnetic K = 4	27/1754
27 Mar 2324	EXTENDED WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4	27/1700 - 28/1200
28 Mar 1545	ALERT: Electron 2MeV Integral Flux \geq 1000pfu	28/1530
29 Mar 0315	WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4	29/0400 - 0800
29 Mar 0726	EXTENDED WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4	29/0400 - 1500
29 Mar 0803	ALERT: Geomagnetic K = 4	29/0759
29 Mar 1455	EXTENDED WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4	29/0400 - 2359
29 Mar 1634	WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 5	29/1634 - 2359
29 Mar 1801	ALERT: Geomagnetic K = 5	29/1757
29 Mar 1922	WATCH: Geomagnetic Storm Category G1 predicted	
29 Mar 2327	EXTENDED WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4	29/0400 - 30/0800
30 Mar 0138	WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 5	30/0137 - 0800
30 Mar 0150	ALERT: Geomagnetic K = 5	30/0149
30 Mar 0756	EXTENDED WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4	29/0400 - 30/1200
30 Mar 1351	ALERT: Electron 2MeV Integral Flux \geq 1000pfu	30/1335
30 Mar 1423	ALERT: Type II Radio Emission	30/1322
30 Mar 1906	CANCELLATION: Geomagnetic Storm Category G1 predicted	
31 Mar 0501	CONTINUED ALERT: Electron 2MeV Integral Flux \geq 1000pfu	30/1335



Twenty-seven Day Outlook



Date	Radio Flux 10.7cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index	Date	Radio Flux 10.7cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
01 Apr	120	5	2	15 Apr	115	5	2
02	125	5	2	16	110	5	2
03	130	8	3	17	110	5	2
04	130	8	3	18	105	5	2
05	135	8	3	19	105	5	2
06	135	8	3	20	100	5	2
07	135	8	3	21	100	5	2
08	135	5	2	22	105	5	2
09	135	5	2	23	110	12	3
10	130	5	2	24	110	8	3
11	130	5	2	25	115	18	4
12	125	5	2	26	120	15	3
13	120	5	2	27	120	5	2
14	120	5	2				

Energetic Events

Date	Time			X-ray		Optical Information			Peak		Sweep Freq	
	Begin	Max	Half	Class	Integ Flux	Imp/ Brtns	Location Lat CMD	Rgn #	Radio Flux		Intensity	
			Max						245	2695	II	IV

No Events Observed

Flare List

Date	Time			Optical			
	Begin	Max	End	X-ray Class	Imp/ Brtns	Location Lat CMD	Rgn #
25 Mar	1304	1308	1313	B2.6	SF	N19E55	1704
25 Mar	1743	1748	1754	B4.4	SF	N18E52	1704
26 Mar	0330	0333	0337	B2.0			
26 Mar	0510	0513	0517	B2.8			
26 Mar	1218	1306	1337	B2.7			1700
27 Mar	1723	1730	1737	B2.0			1704
27 Mar	1837	1847	1911	B2.6			1708
28 Mar	0034	0044	0052	B3.2			1708
28 Mar	0303	0338	0424	B5.3			1708
30 Mar	1016	1024	1032	B8.8			1710
30 Mar	1306	1322	1331	B4.8			
31 Mar	0247	0251	0253	B8.2			1711



Region Summary

Date	Location		Sunspot Characteristics					Flares							
	Lat CMD	Helio Lon	Area 10 ⁻⁶ hemi.	Extent (helio)	Spot Class	Spot Count	Mag Class	X-ray			Optical				
								C	M	X	S	1	2	3	4

Region 1700

17 Mar	S13E54	352	10	3	Bxo	2	B								
18 Mar	S13E41	352	60	5	Cso	5	B								
19 Mar	S13E27	353	plage												
20 Mar	S13E13	353	10	1	Axx	1	A								
21 Mar	S13W01	354	plage												
22 Mar	S13W15	355	plage												
23 Mar	S13W29	356	plage												
24 Mar	S13W43	357	plage												
25 Mar	S13W57	358	plage												
26 Mar	S13W71	358	plage												
27 Mar	S13W85	359	plage												
								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Crossed West Limb.

Absolute heliographic longitude: 354

Region 1702

21 Mar	N08W24	16	20	3	Dro	5	B								
22 Mar	N08W38	18	40	4	Dao	4	B								
23 Mar	N08W51	18	50	6	Cao	7	B								
24 Mar	N07W64	18	60	6	Cao	9	B								
25 Mar	N08W74	18	40	9	Cao	4	B								
26 Mar	N08W88	15	40	9	Cao	4	B								
								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Crossed West Limb.

Absolute heliographic longitude: 16

Region 1703

22 Mar	S25W59	39	40	5	Dao	5	B				2				
23 Mar	S25W72	39	80	7	Dao	7	B				1				
24 Mar	S26W84	38	40	6	Cao	5	B								
25 Mar	S26W93	38	30	2	Cao	2	B								
								0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0

Crossed West Limb.

Absolute heliographic longitude: 39



Region Summary - continued

Date	Location		Sunspot Characteristics					Flares							
	Lat CMD	Helio	Area 10 ⁻⁶ hemi.	Extent (helio)	Spot Class	Spot Count	Mag Class	X-ray			Optical				
		Lon						C	M	X	S	1	2	3	4
Region 1704															
23 Mar	N15E74	253	60	3	Hsx	1	A								
24 Mar	N16E60	254	80	3	Hax	1	A								
25 Mar	N16E45	255	70	3	Cao	4	B				2				
26 Mar	N16E31	256	70	2	Hax	4	A								
27 Mar	N15E18	255	80	2	Hax	2	A								
28 Mar	N15E06	255	90	4	Hax	1	A								
29 Mar	N15W08	256	90	3	Cao	3	B								
30 Mar	N15W21	256	70	2	Hax	3	A								
31 Mar	N15W34	255	70	2	Hax	2	A								
								0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 255

Region 1705															
25 Mar	S12E21	279	30	4	Dao	6	B								
26 Mar	S12E07	280	30	6	Cao	3	B								
27 Mar	S12W11	284	10	1	Axx	1	A								
28 Mar	S12W24	285	plage												
29 Mar	S12W38	286	plage												
30 Mar	S12W52	287	plage												
31 Mar	S12W66	287	plage												
								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Still on Disk.

Absolute heliographic longitude: 280

Region 1706															
27 Mar	S06E04	268	10	2	Bxo	2	B								
28 Mar	S06W09	270	10	4	Bxo	2	B								
29 Mar	S06W24	272	plage												
30 Mar	S06W39	274	plage												
31 Mar	S07W52	273	plage												
								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Still on Disk.

Absolute heliographic longitude: 268



Region Summary - continued

Date	Location		Sunspot Characteristics					Flares							
	Lat CMD	Helio Lon	Area 10 ⁻⁶ hemi.	Extent (helio)	Spot Class	Spot Count	Mag Class	X-ray			Optical				
								C	M	X	S	1	2	3	4

Region 1707

28 Mar	S11E32	229	20	3	Bxo	4	B								
29 Mar	S11E18	230	50	4	Cao	7	B								
30 Mar	S11E04	231	40	2	Hax	2	A								
31 Mar	S11W12	233	30	4	Cao	5	B								
								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 231

Region 1708

28 Mar	N12E71	190	50	4	Cso	2	B								
29 Mar	N11E58	190	90	6	Dao	4	B								
30 Mar	N11E45	190	90	6	Cso	4	B								
31 Mar	N11E30	191	50	5	Cso	4	B								
								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Still on Disk.

Absolute heliographic longitude: 191

Region 1709

29 Mar	S33W21	269	10	3	Bxo	4	B								
30 Mar	S33W35	270	plage												
31 Mar	S33W49	270	plage												
								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 269

Region 1710

29 Mar	S22E49	199	40	4	Cao	5	B								
30 Mar	S21E34	201	70	7	Cao	7	B								
31 Mar	S22E20	201	50	8	Cao	6	B								
								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Still on Disk.

Absolute heliographic longitude: 201

Region 1711

30 Mar	S17E77	158	210	4	Cai	4	B								
31 Mar	S17E62	159	420	5	Cki	4	B								
								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Still on Disk.

Absolute heliographic longitude: 159



Region Summary - continued

Location		Sunspot Characteristics						Flares							
Date	Lat CMD	Helio	Area	Extent	Spot	Spot	Mag	X-ray			Optical				
		Lon	10 ⁻⁶ hemi.	(helio)	Class	Count	Class	C	M	X	S	1	2	3	4
		<i>Region 1712</i>													
31 Mar	N01E38	183	10	3	Cro	2	B	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 183

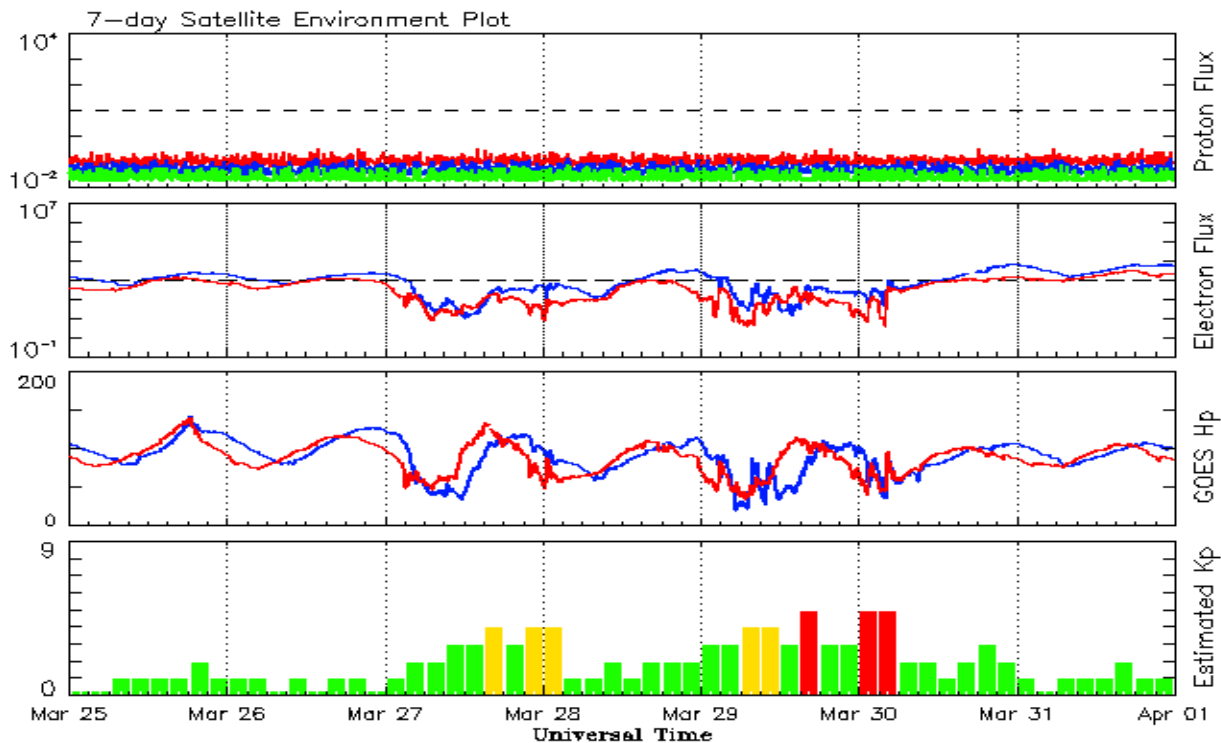


Recent Solar Indices (preliminary)
Observed monthly mean values

Month	Sunspot Numbers					Radio Flux		Geomagnetic	
	Observed values		Ratio	Smooth values		Penticton	Smooth	Planetary	Smooth
	SEC	RI	RI/SEC	SEC	RI	10.7 cm	Value	Ap	Value
2011									
April	81.7	54.4	0.67	61.5	41.8	112.6	100.4	9	7.5
May	61.4	41.6	0.68	69.0	47.6	95.9	105.6	9	7.5
June	55.5	37.0	0.67	76.5	53.2	95.8	110.9	8	7.4
July	67.0	43.8	0.66	82.5	57.3	94.2	115.4	9	7.3
August	66.1	50.6	0.77	84.9	59.0	101.7	117.9	8	7.4
September	106.4	78.0	0.73	84.6	59.5	134.5	118.4	13	7.7
October	116.8	88.0	0.75	84.6	59.9	137.2	118.4	7	8.0
November	133.1	96.7	0.73	86.3	61.1	153.1	119.5	3	8.0
December	106.3	73.0	0.69	89.2	63.4	141.2	121.6	3	8.0
2012									
January	91.3	58.3	0.64	92.0	65.5	133.1	124.4	6	8.3
February	50.1	32.9	0.66	94.2	66.9	106.7	126.7	7	8.4
March	77.9	64.3	0.82	94.1	66.8	115.1	126.8	14	8.1
April	84.4	55.2	0.65	91.3	64.6	113.1	125.8	9	8.0
May	99.5	69.0	0.69	87.7	61.7	121.5	123.8	8	8.2
June	88.6	64.5	0.73	83.9	58.9	120.5	121.1	10	8.3
July	99.6	66.5	0.67	82.4	57.7	135.6	119.5	13	8.3
August	85.8	63.0	0.74	83.1	58.1	115.7	119.2	7	8.1
September	84.0	61.4	0.73	83.7		123.2	118.9	8	7.8
October	73.5	53.3	0.73			123.3		9	
November	89.2	61.4	0.69			120.9		6	
December	60.4	40.8	0.68			108.4		3	
2013									
January	99.8	62.9	0.63			127.1		4	
February	60.0	38.0	0.63			104.4		5	
March	81.0					111.2		9	

Note: Values are final except for the most recent 6 months which are considered preliminary.
Cycle 24 started in Dec 2008 with an RI=1.7.





*Weekly Geosynchronous Satellite Environment Summary
Week Beginning 25 March 2013*

The proton flux plot contains the five-minute averaged integral proton flux (protons/cm²-sec -sr) as measured by the SWPC Primary GOES satellite, near West 75, for each of three energy thresholds: greater than 10, 50, and 100 MeV.

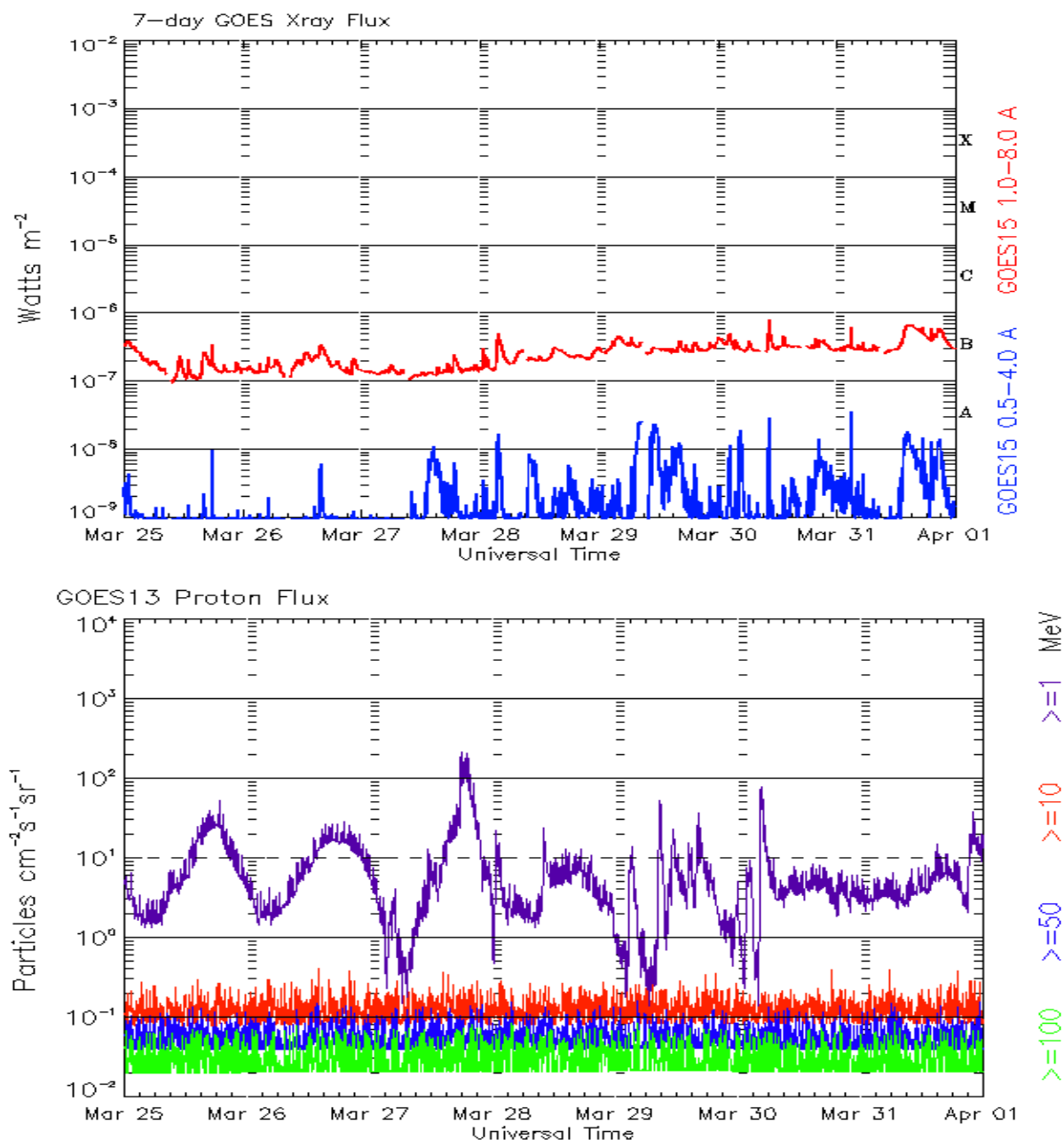
The electron flux plot contains the five-minute averaged integral electron flux (electrons/cm²-sec -sr) with energies greater than 2 MeV by the SWPC Primary GOES satellite.

The Hp plot contains the five minute averaged Hp magnetic field component in nanoteslas (nT) as by the SWPC Primary GOES satellite. The Hp component is parallel to the spin axis of the satellite, which is nearly parallel to the Earth's rotation axis.

The Estimated 3-hour Planetary Kp-index is derived at the NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center using data from the following ground-based magnetometers: Boulder, Colorado; Chambon la Foret, France; Fredericksburg, Virginia; Fresno, California; Hartland, UK; Newport, Washington; Sitka, Alaska. These data are made available thanks to the cooperative efforts between SWPC and data providers around the world, which currently includes the U.S. Geological Survey, the British Geological Survey, and the Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris.

The data included here are those now available in real time at the SWPC and are incomplete in that they do not include the full set of parameters and energy ranges known to cause satellite operating anomalies. The proton and electron fluxes and Kp are 'global' parameters that are applicable to a first order approximation over large areas. H parallel is subject to more localized phenomena and the measurements generally are applicable to within a few degrees of longitude of the measuring satellite.





*Weekly GOES Satellite X-ray and Proton Plots
Week Beginning 25 March 2013*

The x-ray plots contains five-minute averages x-ray flux (Watt/m^2) as measure by the SWPC primary GOES X-ray satellite, usually at West 105 longitude, in two wavelength bands, 0.05 - 0.4 and 0.1 - 0.8 nm. The letters A, B, C, M and X refer to x-ray event levels for the 0.1 - 0.8 nm band.

The proton plot contains the five-minute averaged integral flux units (pfu = protons/ cm^2 -sec -sr) as measured by the primary SWPC GOES Proton satellite for each of the energy thresholds: >1 , >10 , >30 , and >100 MeV. The P10 event threshold is 10 pfu at greater than 10 MeV.

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